

Council Meeting – *Agenda*

CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 11, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

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OPENING OF SESSION BY: CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LEO R. PIMENTAL

***PRAYER LED BY: REVEREND ROBERT OLIVEIRA, PASTOR,
HOLY NAME OF THE SACRED HEART CHURCH AND
NEW BEDFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN***

“REMEMBRANCE OF VICTIMS OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 ATTACKS”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITATIONS

1. CITATION, Councillor Gomes, honoring ART WORKS TEEN MURAL CREW-2007 on completion of their Downtown Mural depicting the City of New Bedford.

RESOLUTIONS

2. RESOLUTION, Councillor Coelho, honoring TATLOCK GALLERY on release of their 2008 VINTAGE BIKES CALENDAR.

HEARINGS

3. PETITION, NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY & VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC., for location of two (2) Poles in UPTON STREET, West of Whitlow Street.
 - 3a. ORDER,
4. PETITION, NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY, for location of two (2) 4” conduits and one (1) handhole in ASH STREET, South of Union Street.
 - 4a. ORDER,
 - 4b. COMMUNICATION, David DeTerra, Chief Wire Inspector, by Special Emergency, granting permission to NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY, on August 01, 2007, for the installation of underground service for 203 ASH STREET, due to the fact that there is a family with three children living there and the original service was a backyard service, which has been condemned. (Hearing to be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2007 – as noted above.)

MAYOR’S PAPERS

- M1. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$2,439.00 from LIBRARY, SALARIES & WAGES, to LIBRARY, CAPITAL OUTLAY.
 - M1a. ORDER,
- M2. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of HERSHEL ALPERT, 35 Meriam Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 to the AIRPORT COMMISSION, replacing James D. Oliveira who resigned June 2007; this term will expire December 2007.

M3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of WILLIAM J. VILLINEAU, 266 Pope Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 to serve as an ASSOCIATE (ALTERNATE) MEMBER of the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS; this term will expire December 2007.

M4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of IAN M. COMERFORD, 635 County Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 to serve as an ASSOCIATE (ALTERNATE) MEMBER of the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, replacing Walter Moniz who resigned October 2006; this term will expire December 2010.

M5. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of ANNETTE A. ALLARD, 14 Timberlane Road, New Bedford, MA 02745 to the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, replacing Bernice McLoughlin who resigned June 2007; this term will expire December 2011.

M6. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the resignation of ANNETTE A. ALLARD, 14 Timberlane Road, New Bedford, MA 02745 from the Recreation Commission, effective on her acceptance to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

M7. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of JEFFREY LAWRENCE KING, One Howland Terrace, New Bedford, MA 02740 as a CONSTABLE.

M7a. APPLICATION,

M8. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of Harbor Development Commission Employee, THOMAS VITAL, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

M9. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of POLICE SERGEANT JILL SIMMONS, Head of the Port Security Unit, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

M10. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of POLICE OFFICER JOSEPH MAGALHAES of the Port Security Unit, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

M11. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of POLICE OFFICER CHRISTIAN J. GOMES of the Port Security Unit, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

M12. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of POLICE OFFICER DAVID ROY of the Port Security Unit, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

M13. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, informing of the APPOINTMENT of POLICE CHIEF RONALD TEACHMAN, as Assistant Harbor Master. (Qualified: August 02, 2007.)

CHARTER RULED ITEMS

5. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting a request for ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF RESIDENCY for ANA M. POEIRA, 22 Snowberry Drive, Dartmouth, MA, as a LEGAL SECRETARY with the Office of City Solicitor; this waiver will expire August 2008.

END OF CHARTER RULED ITEMS

NEW BUSINESS

6. REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending that the City Council APPROVE THE SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST for JANICE LAREAU, MANAGER, SARATOGA ENTERPRISE, LLC, 31 ASHLEY STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740, Account No. 12088, in the AMOUNT OF \$312.70.

7. REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending that the City Council APPROVE THE SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST for DAVID CORREIA, 44 COLLETTE STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02746, Account No. 22042, in the AMOUNT OF \$1,135.60.

8. REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending that the City Council APPROVE THE SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST for FLORENCE HUDON, 45 ALFRED STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02745, Account No. 25021, in the AMOUNT OF \$1,400.80.

9. REPORT, Committee on Labor & Industry, recommending that the City Council follow the recommended action and go on record and send letters in support of Mayor Lang and Congressman Frank, to look at the Safety Regulations imposed on our fishermen, not only in New Bedford, but in the whole New England Area; further, that the City Council go on record in support of a safety-regulated suit, to be worn by all fishermen; further, that the City Council support our Fishing Fleet and Fishing Industry by requesting the U. S. Fishery Council, the governing body overseeing fishing, that Fishing Regulations be re-examined regarding limits on days out to sea, with an eye towards, but not limited to, catch limits rather than limiting days for fishing, since, in their present form, the rules encourage fishermen to venture out in unsafe conditions in order to earn a living; and further, that the possible use of a tracking device that can be strapped on and activated by each and every fisherman in a distress situation, clearly sending a beacon or a signal to the proper authorities that a boat is in distress and the fishermen are in trouble, which could be immediately tracked by our Coast Guard or other entities, be explored.

10. AN ORDINANCE, Amending Chapter 9, Section 4500, by adding Section 4500A Soule Mill Overlay District (SMOD.) (Passed to a Second Reading August 16, 2007; to be Passed, to be Ordained.)

11. WRITTEN MOTION: Councillor Koczera, asking that the New Bedford Health Department, in cooperation with the City's Department of Inspectional Services, TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION to compel the owner of 152 Deane Street to take whatever steps are necessary to rid this vacant tenement house of the cockroach infestation problem that has been there for weeks, and is spreading into the surrounding neighborhood; further, that both these City Departments work with the City Solicitors Office to take legal action, if necessary, to force this landlord to come into compliance with the Health Code; and further, that Rule 40 be waived, so no time is lost in resolving this grave matter, which affects the health, safety and well-being of this entire neighborhood.

12. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the streets surrounding Custom House Square be left open at least until 4:00 p.m., to give local businesses space for their customers to park; and further, that a portion of the Custom House Square Parking Lot be made available for parking to the businesses in that area whenever there is an event, since not only are the businesses losing customers and revenue, but the City is losing parking revenue as well.

13. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Ordinance Committee meet with Scott Downing, Executive Secretary of the Traffic Commission, for the purpose of producing an Ordinance that would give the Traffic Commission the authority to mark driveways throughout the City, wherever they see the need, due to the inconvenience to many residents living in tenements with driveways, who have a hard time exiting their driveways due to cars parking too close to the driveways. (To be referred to the Committee on Ordinances.)

14. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, meet with Personnel Director Angela Natho, and whoever is responsible for the hiring of summer help for youth programs and services throughout the City, including areas like Camp Kennedy, to discuss how these people are hired and what procedures are put in place that call for a dress code, as well as to address language being used around young children attending these programs; and further, that we discuss in the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, security procedures, and how to provide a better atmosphere for young people who are attending these programs, due to the numerous complaints this Councillor has received from parents regarding the people who have been hired to assist in these programs. (To be referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.)

15. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with the principal landowners and designated developer, Dickinson Development Company, and representatives from the Administration, to determine the current status and potential development of the Fairhaven Mills property; and further, due to the fact that the developer's time has elapsed, that the Council be informed of the future potential for the site's development.
16. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, on behalf of Veterans Benefits and Services Director/Agent Donat J. "Dan" LeBlanc, that the New Bedford City Council formally accept, with the approval of the Mayor, "custodial care in perpetuity" for both the "Exercise Tiger" Sherman Tank located at Fort Taber Park and for the 155 mm Howitzer Cannon, located at the Polish-American Veterans Monument site, at the intersection of Church Street and Tarkiln Hill Road; and further, once approved by the City Council and Mayor Lang, that a letter be sent, with a copy of this Motion, to Rebecca Chodynieski, U. S. Army Donations Office, USATAACOM LCMC, Attention: AMSTA-LC-LEADMF419, 6501 East Elen Mile Road, Warren, Michigan, 48397-5000, informing them of the approvals by the City Council and Mayor. (Motion and other correspondence related to this matter forwarded by Director LeBlanc, Copied to All Councillors August 23, 2007.)
17. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gonsalves, recommending that the Ordinance Committee draft language to establish a monetary penalty for Building Violations. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.)
18. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gonsalves, requesting that the City determine a location, and begin preparations for, the establishment of a Fairground in the City of New Bedford. (To be Referred to the Mayor.)
19. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that a STOP SIGN be installed on SOUTH SIXTH STREET AT ELM STREET, to allow Seniors and wheelchair-bound persons to cross over in safety due to the fast moving traffic.
20. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, on behalf of Washington Social & Memorial Club, that DAVID STREET, from Roosevelt Street to East Rodney French Boulevard, be CLOSED on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2007, from 12:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M., for a Dennison Memorial Community Center Event.
21. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the City repair the depression in the street located on Kempton Street, between Summer and County Streets.
22. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the Park Department plant flowers, or give permission to Citizens to plant flowers, around the Brooklawn Park Monument.
23. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the Park Department keep the Christmas Tree at Brooklawn Park lit, as are all the other Christmas Trees at various parks throughout the City during the Holiday Season.
24. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the Department of Public Facilities cut back the overgrowth of weeds and grass on the sidewalk and along the curb at 121 Coffin Avenue; and further, if the overgrowth is the responsibility of the homeowners, that they be requested to cut back the weeds and grass as well. (Pictures enclosed.)
25. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, asking that a member of the Administration meet with the Committee on Appointments and Briefings to inform the Councillors as to who and/or what department/account is being charged for the Parking Spaces in the SRTA Parking Garage that were newly allotted for the private vehicles of Police Officers assigned to the Downtown Police Substation.

26. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the Mayor and Chief of Police provide information to the City Council as to what progress has been made with the installations of the Police Substations in the Far South End and, in particular the Far North End, due to the reports of continued violence on North Front Street.
27. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, asking that the City Council send a letter, signed by All Councillors and Mayor Lang, to Governor Deval Patrick, requesting that the Governor appoint a Member from Southeastern Massachusetts to the Board of Directors for the University of Massachusetts, so that the Board is comprised of Members fully represented of all Regions of our Commonwealth, and specifically from our Southeast Region; further, that a Member from this area be appointed as quickly as possible, since the University has a Campus located in Dartmouth, MA comprised of many, many students from the Southcoast, yet there presently are no Members from this area on the University's Board, thereby denying Cities such as New Bedford, Fall River, Taunton and Attleboro equal representation in providing for the needs of our Communities; and further, that Rule 40 be waived so the letter is expedited to the Governor, and New Bedford can join with Fall River and other Southeastern Massachusetts Communities in bringing this issue, which is so vital to our region, to the immediate attention of Governor Patrick.
28. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lawrence, requesting that the bridge near the pond at Riverside Park be named in honor of the late Jim Simmons-Hands Across the River, as a Memorial. (To be Referred to the Park Department.)
29. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lawrence, requesting that the Traffic Commission approve the posting of two "NO PARKING" signs at the Main Entrance to Riverside Park, on Belleville Avenue.
30. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the DPF cut back the overgrowth of weeds growing along the sidewalks and curbside, clogging the storm drains and obscuring the Fire Hydrants; and further, in the interest of public safety, that the overgrowth be cut back around the Fire Hydrants at the following locations as well: Social and McGurk Streets, County and Winsor Streets, Orchard Street by the Goodyear Site and several locations along Bolton Street (Photographs to be submitted at City Council Meeting of 09/11/07.)
31. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, on behalf of the Greater New Bedford Track Club, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: LAKE STREET and LT. WALTER E. FULLER MEMORIAL PARKWAY, from 9:30 A.M. THROUGH 12:30 P.M., for the purpose of The Annual 10K Road Race in Memory of O. Gardner Spooner. NOTE: ALSO REQUESTING THAT THE DPF PROVIDE STREET CLOSURE SAWHORSES.
32. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting on behalf of Rick Pimental of 253 Purchase Street, that NSTAR Electric cover the wires that are close to the residence, preventing contractors from doing work at said address; and further, that this be provided by NSTAR at no cost to the homeowner.
33. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the City provide the materials to build a new bridge for the ducks at Brooklawn Park; and further, that YouthBuild be asked to provide the labor for this project.
34. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that the Department of Public Infrastructure repave North Street, between Foster and Hill Streets, due to the current condition of said street.
35. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting on behalf of Joseph W. and Barbara DePina of 57 North Street, that the Traffic Commission reinstall a NO PARKING sign, which was once located on the north side of North Street.

36. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gonsalves, Alves, Gomes, Lawrence, Saunders and Coelho, requesting that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, discuss the possibility of relocating the Emergency Medical Services/Medic One from its current location at Hillman Street, to the former Fire Station Three on Kempton Street; and further, that James Trout, Director of Emergency Medical Services; Mark Mahoney, Director of Emergency Management; Emanuel Maciel, Director of Animal Control; William Belknap, Emergency Medical Services Shop Steward, and a Representative of the Mayor be invited to the Committee Meeting to discuss this matter. (To be referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods.)

37. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental and Councillor Gonsalves, requesting that the Traffic Commission change the signage in front of Expo's Variety Store, 309 Dartmouth Street, from "30 Minute Parking" to "15 Minute Parking, 7 Days A Week."

38. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Coelho & Gomes, requesting that the City Council send a letter to Recycling Associates, a Rhode Island based company, to immediately remove their donation bins from the City because of improperly managing the bins which are overflowing with clothes and shoes, residents are forced to leave their donations beside the bins which becomes an eyesore to area neighborhoods and businesses where these bins are located.

39. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, Councillors Lawrence, Saunders, DeMedeiros, Gonsalves and Pina, requesting on behalf of the area Veterans in the City of New Bedford that the Veteran's Day Parade be moved back to Clasky Common Park where it marched from years ago, and where the Veteran's Day Ceremonies use to take place.

40. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the City Council's Committee on Ordinances, review and evaluate the current Ordinances on trash and garbage in reference to the Standard-Times article dated September 4, 2007, regarding Dartmouth's new fee-based trash collection and Town residents stating that they plant o put their trash in commercial establishment dumpsters, or on the curbside in front of rental property they own within the City of New Bedford; and further, that the Committee on Ordinances discuss the legality of this practice. (Standard-Times article dated September 4, 2007 enclosed.)

41. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting that DPF and/or School Department repair the lights at the Carney Academy Athletic Field; and further, that this be done immediately since this is a second request for such action, and the new school term has started with the lights still remaining broken. (To be referred to the Mayor's Office, School Department, DPF Superintendent of Parks and Public Places Kenneth Blanchard and EM Director Mark Mahoney.)

42. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Morad & Pina, requesting on behalf of Downtown New Bedford, Inc. that BARKER'S LANE, from Acushnet Avenue to North Second Street be CLOSED on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2007, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. for New Bedford Seaport's 2nd Annual Chowder Festival.

43. PETITION/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, **SANDRA & JOHN ALMEIDA, 445 MIDDLE ROAD, ACUSHNET, MA 02743**, for permission to encroach on City Property by three feet with a stone & wood garbage receptacle on the left side of the property at **189-191 BELLEVILLE AVENUE, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02745** (Submitted by Councillor Alves.)

43a. ORDER,

44 APPLICATION/PETITION, ANTONIO MAOCHA, AMADORES BALA & CULTURA, 766 County Street, New Bedford, MA, 02740, for a SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A CLUB OR LODGE – NON-PROFIT, at 766 COUNTY STREET, PLOT 72, LOT 5, CHANGE IN USE from a former Retail Store. (To be Received and PUBLIC HEARING ORDERED FOR SEPTEMBER 27, 2007, at 7:00 P.M., in City Council Chambers, Second Floor of City Hall, 133 William Street, New Bedford, MA.)

45. COMMUNICATION/DEMOLITION, New Bedford Historical Commission, to City Council, re: BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW OF 99½ LINDEN STREET, (house and garage structure,) advising that “the structure is NOT located in a National Register Historic District,” and that “the structure is of NO notable historic significance, either recorded or found with the existing condition of the structure,” therefore, “the NBHC has determined that the building is NOT an historically significant building or structure and NOT preferably preserved.”

46. COMMUNICATION, Richard J. Souza, Chairperson, Cemetery Board to Mayor Lang submitting his resignation as of August 15, 2007. (Copy all Councillors September 6, 2007.)

47. COMMUNICATION, New Bedford Economic Development Council Executive Director Matthew A. Morrissey, to Councillor Gonsalves, stating that the Economic Development Council working with Mr. Fitzsimmons trying to find a investor to purchase the Cliftex building.

48. COMMUNICATION, Department of Public Facilities Superintendent Kenneth F. Blanchard, to Councillor Coelho, responding to Memo regarding streetlights at Coggeshall and Harvard Streets.

49. COMMUNICATION, Council President Pimental, submitting letter from Mr. Alfred J. Galipeau, regarding motor vehicle and trailer problems on Coffin Avenue.

50. COMMUNICATION, Blair S. Bailey, Tax Title Attorney, to City Council, re: Acquisition of New Tax Possession, advising that, on August 16, 2007, the Land Court issued a Decree of Foreclosure, and the City has acquired the following property as Tax Possession: 934 County Street, Plot 84/Lot 168, Area of 2,535 square feet (Former Owner: Virginia Gonsalves) Total Amount due on the parcel as of the date of the Decree is \$22,971.88.

51. COMMUNICATION, Blair S. Bailey, Tax Title Attorney, to City Council, re: Acquisition of New Tax Possession, advising that, on August 20, 2007 the Land Court issued a Decree of Foreclosure, and the City has acquired the following property as Tax Possession: W.S. Acushnet Avenue, Plot 37/Lot 23, Area of 5,810 square feet (Former Owners: Ricardo J. Cruz, Jr and Robert J. Gomes) Total Amount due on the parcel as of the date of the Decree is \$ 47,867.88.

52. COMMUNICATION, Captain (Retired) Samuel F. Wright-Director, Military Rights Project, NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE to Elected Officials via FAX regarding a 1997 column in The Officer magazine title “Law Review”. (Copy all Councillors 08/31/07)

COMMUNICATION, Conservation Agent Porter, to Treasurer Fernandes-Abbott regarding the Bettencourt Parcel Tax Possession, Plot 125, Lot 71, New Plainville Road (To be Received and Placed on File, submitted by Coun. President Pimental.)

53. COMMUNICATION, Antone Amaral, 1539 Padanaram Avenue, New Bedford, MA to City Councillors regarding City Property Plat 17A, Lot 112 and Plat 17A, Lot 122. (Copy all Councillors September 4, 2007.)

TABLED BUSINESS

02/23/06 WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Saunders, requesting RECONSIDERATION on the matter of the COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting for approval the RE-APPOINTMENT of JOSE GOUVEIA, 112 Bryant Lane, New Bedford, MA, to the HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, whose term expired December 2001. This appointment will expire December 2007. (Appointment Confirmed – Yeas 11, Nays 0 at the regular City Council Meeting on February 09, 2006 Agenda.) (Note: This Item, which is Item #L14 on Late File Agenda was confirmed on a Substitute Motion by Councillor Morad, which was allowed, and Appointments Confirmed on Items L8, L10, L11, L12, L14, L16, L31 and L33.)

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07/20/06 CITATION, Councillor Pina, honoring PAUL PELLETIER, in recognition of his Years of Service to the Residents of Boa Vista Housing Development as President of the Tenant Association for the past Six Years.

08/17/06 CITATION, Councillor Morad, honoring SPECIALIST ALVARO A. SANTOS, United States Army Reserve, 844th Engineering Battalion, a Heavy Construction Equipment Operator, who served in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Kuwait from December 18, 2004, to December 12, 2005, and was awarded the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with “M” Device, Army Service Ribbon and the Overseas Service Ribbon.

08/17/06 CITATION, Councillor Pina, honoring BELMIRO FERNANDES, United States National Guard, in recognition of his serving our Country in Operation Iraqi Freedom, from September 06, 2005, until July 06, 2006.

08/17/06 RESOLUTION, Council President Alves, recognizing AUGUST 09, 2006, as COMCAST/TOON DISNEY’S PASSPORT TO READING DAY IN NEW BEDFORD.

08/17/06 RESOLUTION, Council President Alves, honoring POLICE OFFICER PAUL FONSECA for his HEROIC ACTIONS AT THE SAVOY NURSING HOME FIRE – JULY 23, 2006.

01/25/07 WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting, on behalf of the residents of Hillman Street, that the Traffic Commission issue Residential Parking signs to the neighbors surrounding the Quest Center and New Directions, as the employees, and visitors, are taking up all the parking spaces, and, since there is no residential off-street parking at their homes, the residents are in need of parking places.

02/08/07 HEARING, on APPLICATION of CYNTHIA AND ERIC BELINKOFF, 366 HATHAWAY REALTY TRUST, 366 HATHAWAY ROAD, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740, requesting AN INCREASE in License to keep, store and/or sell products of CRUDE PETROLEUM or any of its products, at 366 HATHAWAY ROAD, being Plot 94, Lot 20; Application is for 40,000 GALLONS (from 25,520 gallons) of gasoline and diesel fuels underground. (License for 25,520 gallons was previously granted on September 13, 1973, to Texaco, Inc., and registered to 366 Hathaway Realty Trust in August 2006.) (In City Council February 08, 2007 – Tabled until next Council Meeting – February 22, 2007.) (In City Council February 22, 2007 – Motion by Councillor DeMedeiros to keep item on the Table ADOPTED – All Ayes. – TABLED.)

02/08/07 AN ORDER, (In City Council February 08, 2007 – Tabled until next Council Meeting – February 22, 2007.) (In City Council February 22, 2007 – Motion by Councillor DeMedeiros to keep item on the Table ADOPTED – All Ayes. – TABLED.)

05/24/07 CITATION, Councillors Alves and Pina, honoring P.A.C.E. (PEOPLE ACTING IN COMMUNITY ENDEAVORS,) in recognition of 25 Years of Service to the Greater New Bedford Area.

05/24/07 RESOLUTION, Councillors Alves, Morad, Saunders and Pina, honoring DPI COMMISSIONER RONALD LABELLE in recognition of his receiving the National Association of Clean Water Agency’s 2007 Local Public Service Award, presented at the NACWA 2007 Forum on May 07, 2007 in Washington, D.C.

08/16/07 RESOLUTION, Councillors Alves, Morad, Coelho, DeMedeiros, Gonsalves, Pimental, honoring COASTLINE ELDERLY SERVICES, INC. at its 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2007 – 30 YEARS OF CARING!

08/16/07 RESOLUTION, Councillors Lawrence and Gomes, congratulating THE WHALING CITY FESTIVAL COMMITTEE on the GREAT SUCCESS of the 38TH WHALING CITY FESTIVAL – A FAMILY-ORIENTED EVENT.

08/16/07 COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting a request for ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF RESIDENCY for ATTORNEY SHANNON COBB SHREVE, 12 Horseshoe Circle, Sandwich, MA, as a Full Time Procurement and Compliance Attorney with the Office of the City Solicitor; this Waiver will expire August 2008. **(TABLED UNTIL 09/11/07.)**